

Susan Rupp is a doctoral candidate who started working for the Environmental, Safety, and Health Division's Ecology Group (ESH-20) in September 2000. She recently (December 2000) received her master's degree in Wildlife Science at Texas Tech University after completing a study to determine the effects of grazing and trampling by Rocky Mountain elk on the vegetative community of Bandelier National Monument. Currently, Susan is involved with assisting in the development of the LANL's Biological Resource Management Plan (BRMP). Her dissertation involves the development of a model to determine movement corridors for large game across LANL and the Greater Jemez Mountain region while incorporating potential effects of the Cerro Grande Fire and its recovery. In her spare time, Susan enjoys hiking, camping, soccer, and time with friends. She looks forward to helping students with any resource needs or concerns they might have during their stay at LANL and encourages students to contact her for any "peer advice" they might need.